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House Resolution 86

By: Representatives Davis of the 122nd, Keen of the 179th, Amerson of the 9th, Ashe of the 56th, Murphy of the 120th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia Tech Band on its 100th anniversary and for its appearance in the
- 2 2008 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, in 1908, 14 students at the Georgia Institute of Technology joined together to
- 4 form the first Georgia Tech Band; and
- 5 WHEREAS, during the early years, the Tech Band established and popularized the
- 6 far-reaching tunes "Ramblin' Wreck," "Up With the White and Gold," and the school's alma
- 7 mater under the direction of greats including Frank Roman, Major A.J. Garing, and Ben
- 8 Logan Sisk; and
- 9 WHEREAS, over the years, the band and music program have expanded to include an
- orchestra, a jazz band, chamber ensembles, and an electronic percussion ensemble, with the
- opportunity to perform around the state, nation, and overseas; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the year 2008 marked the 100th anniversary of the Georgia Tech Band; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in honor of its centennial, the band performed in the annual Macy's
- 14 Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City and was one of only two collegiate bands
- 15 invited to appear in the 2008 parade; and
- 16 WHEREAS, under the direction of Athletic Band Director Christopher Moore, the 350
- 17 student members of the Yellow Jackets Marching Band prepared for months to perform on
- 18 the streets of Manhattan on Thursday, November 27, 2008, before more than 46 million
- 19 attendees and television viewers; and
- 20 WHEREAS, throughout its 100 year history, culminating with a dazzling performance in
- Herald Square in November, the Georgia Tech Band has brought pride, honor, and esteem
- 22 to Georgia Tech and the great State of Georgia.

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23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 24 the members of this body join in commending the Georgia Tech Band on its 100th
- anniversary and for its outstanding performance in the 2008 Macy's Thanksgiving Day
- 26 Parade and congratulate its leaders and members on their great accomplishments.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Athletic Band Director
- 29 Christopher Moore and Music Department Director Frank Clark.